

## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Global Resilience Partnership Seeks Collaborative Grant Applications From Across the Sahel by 30 November 2014**

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Dakar, Senegal - The Global Resilience Challenge is seeking diverse, cross-sector teams to assemble and submit proposals that demonstrate a locally-driven understanding of the barriers to building resilience in the Sahel. Proposals submitted by the November 30, 2014 deadline may be considered for funding.

The Global Resilience Challenge is a three-stage grant competition focused on developing and implementing locally-driven, high-impact solutions that build resilience in three focal regions: the Sahel, the Horn of Africa and South & Southeast Asia.

In the first stage of the Global Resilience Challenge, diverse, cross-sector teams will assemble and submit proposals that demonstrate a locally-driven understanding of the barriers to building resilience in their focal region. Teams that advance to the second stage will receive up to \$200,000 to further develop their problem statement and to develop a bold, innovative, scalable solution and implementation plan. And in the third and final stage, teams who have built the most promising solutions will receive initial funding on the order of \$1 million to implement their transformative proposal – turning their ideas into reality.

The Global Resilience Challenge is supported by the Global Resilience Partnership which is convened by the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) and The Rockefeller Foundation, in partnership with the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida).

Application guidelines and FAQ can be downloaded from the Global Resilience Partnership website, [www.globalresiliencepartnership.org](http://www.globalresiliencepartnership.org).

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